

McComb.
Simpson.
Smith

Tips.
Whitaker.
Woods.

Nays—9.

Agnew,
Colquitt.
Bailey.
Dean.
Goss.

Greer.
Harrison.
Shelburne.
Steele

Darwin.
Dickson.
McKinney.

Absent, excused.
Rogers.
Sherrill.
Stafford.
Absent, not excused.

Beall.
Boren.

Lawhon.
Presler.

SEVENTEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas, January 26, 1895.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.
Lieutenant Governor Jester in the chair.

Roll called. No quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Agnew.
Atlee.
Bowser.
Dean.
Dibrell.
Gage.
Goss.
Harrison.
Lawhon.

Lewis.
McComb.
Shelburne,
Simpson.
Smith.
Tips.
Whitaker.
Woods.

Absent, excused.

Darwin.
Dickson.
McKinney.

Rogers.
Sherrill.
Stafford.

Absent, not excused.

Bailey.
Beall.
Boren.
Colquitt.

Crowley.
Greer,
Presler.
Steele.

Senator Dean moved a call of the Senate, which was ordered, the following Senators answering to their names:

Agnew.
Atlee.
Bowser.
Crowley,
Dean.
Dibrell.
Gage.
Goss.
Harrison.

Lawhon.
Lewis.
McComb.
Shelburne.
Simpson.
Smith.
Tips.
Whitaker.
Woods.

Absent, excused.

Darwin.
Dickson.
McKinney.

Rogers.
Sherrill,
Stafford.

Absent, not excused.

Bailey.
Beall.
Boren.
Colquitt.

Greer.
Presler.
Steele,

On motion of Senator Agnew, the Senate adjourned to 10 a. m. Monday.

EIGHTEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber.

Austin, Texas, January 28, 1895.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.
Lieutenant Governor Jester in the chair.
Roll called. Quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Agnew.
Atlee.
Bowser.
Colquitt.
Crowley.
Dean.
Dibrell.
Dickson.
Gage.
Goss.
Greer.

Lawhon.
McComb.
Presler.
Shelburne.
Sherrill.
Simpson.
Smith.
Steele.
Tips,
Whitaker.
Woods.

Absent, excused.

Rogers.

Stafford.

Absent, not excused.

Bailey.
Beall.
Boren.
Darwin

Harrison.
Lewis.
McKinney.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Dr. Smoot.
Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday,

On motion of Senator Simpson, the same was suspended.

On motion of Senator McComb, Senator Greer was excused for non-attendance on last Saturday on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Woods, Senator Colquitt was excused for non-attendance on last Saturday on account of sickness.

On motion of Senator Whitaker, Senator Steele was excused for non-attendance on last Saturday on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Dixon, Senator Boren was excused for non-attendance from Friday till next Wednesday on account of important business.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, January 26, 1895.

Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 88, being a bill to be entitled "An act to provide for the removal and distribution among the Civil Courts of Appeals for the First, Second, Fourth and Fifth Supreme Judicial Districts of Texas, of the law library belonging to the State now situated at Tyler, Texas, and for such part of the law library situated at Austin, Texas, as may be removed and distributed under the provisions hereof,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

SMITH, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 26, 1895.
Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 18, a bill to be entitled "An act to validate certificates of acknowledgment of deeds and other written instruments relating to real estate taken and certified by the clerks of the district courts of this State between the 4th day of December, 1869, and the 8th day of August, 1870,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass, but that the accompanying committee substitute do pass in lieu thereof.

SMITH, Chairman.

A bill to be entitled "An act to validate the authentication and registration of certain instruments of writing."

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That every grant, deed, mortgage, power of attorney or other instrument of writing for the conveyance of real or personal estate required or permitted by law to be registered that shall have been heretofore acknowledged or proven in the manner prescribed by law in force at the time such acknowledgment or proof was made before any one of the officers in such cases now authorized by law to take such acknowledgments or proofs, and which should have been duly certified by such officer, shall be held to be duly acknowledged or proven, with the full effects and consequences of existing laws; and any such instrument which shall have been so acknowledged or proven before either of such officers, and which shall have been heretofore registered, shall be held to be duly registered with like full effects and consequences of existing laws; provided, however, that this act shall not be so construed as to give any retroactive operation or to affect any right acquired prior to its passage.

Section 2. That this act take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Section 3. That the fact existing that the titles of many persons to lands are questioned because the acknowledgments were taken and certified before an officer not then authorized thereto, but who are now so authorized, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity therefore exists that the constitutional rule requiring all bills to be read on three several days be suspended.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 26, 1895.
Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 43, being a bill to be entitled "An act prescribing the time for the institution of suits for the recovery of land in certain cases,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

SMITH, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 25, 1895.
Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Federal Relations, to whom was referred

Joint resolution No. 1, being "A joint resolution requesting the Senate of the United States to pass a bankruptcy bill,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

SHELburnE, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 26, 1895.
Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Insurance, Statistics and History, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 15, being a bill to be entitled "An act to provide for the creation of life and accident insurance companies in this State, and for the regulation thereof, and to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

McCOMB, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 28, 1895.
Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 6, being "An act concerning primary elections called and held by authority of any political party, to prevent illegal voting at same and false returns thereof and providing penalties therefor,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

BAILEY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 28, 1895.
Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 41, being "An act to repeal article 4249, chapter 10, title 84, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, adopted by the regular session of the Sixteenth Legislature, A. D. 1879, requiring railroad corporations to file an annual report with the Comptroller of Public Accounts,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

BAILEY, Chairman.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Senator Goss:

A bill to be entitled "An act to provide for the sale of all lands heretofore or hereafter surveyed and set apart for the

benefit of the public free schools, the university and the several asylums, and the lease of such lands and the public lands of the State, and the patenting of any part of said lands for church, cemetery or school house sites, and to prevent the free use, occupancy, unlawful enclosure or unlawful appropriation of such lands, and prescribe and provide adequate penalties therefor."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Public Lands.

By Senator Dibrell:

An act to amend chapter 1, title 74, articles 3639, 3640, and chapter 2, title 74, article 3645, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas."

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator McComb (by request):

A bill to be entitled "An act to create the county of Alamo out of part of Brazoria county, and to provide for its organization."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

By Senator Greer:

A bill to be entitled "An act providing what shall be the legal effect of deeds or conveyances of real property retaining an express lien for the purchase money, or a part thereof."

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Bowser:

A bill to be entitled "An act to authorize persons of this State to enter into corporations generally known as building and loan associations which are incorporated under the laws of any State of the United States other than the State of Texas, with reference to the laws of the State where either of the contracting parties reside or is incorporated, and providing for the construction of such contracts."

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator McComb:

A bill to be entitled "An act to amend section 17 of an act entitled 'An act to organize the Courts of Civil Appeals, to define their jurisdiction and powers, and to prescribe the mode of procedure therein,' approved April 13, 1892; and to provide a library fund for said courts."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

Call concluded.

HOUSE MESSAGE.

House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, January 25, 1895.

Hon. Geo. T. Jester, President of Senate:
I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills, to-wit:

House bill No. 23, "An act providing for the time within which sales under power of sale contained in deeds of trust and mortgages must be made."

House bill No. 22, "An act to amend article 649, title 21, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas."

House bill No. 155, "An act to restore and confer upon the county court of Gregg county the civil and criminal jurisdiction heretofore belonging to said court under the Constitution and general statutes of Texas, to define the jurisdiction of said court, to conform the jurisdiction of the district court of said county to such change, to fix the time of holding court, and to repeal all laws in conflict with this act." Passed by two-thirds vote—ayes 95, nays none.

House bill No. 20, "An act to create a more efficient road system for Fannin county, Texas, and making county commissioners of said county ex-officio road commissioners, and prescribing their duties as such, and providing for their compensation as road commissioners, and providing for the appointment of deputy road commissioners, and defining the powers and duties of such county commissioners and providing for the appointment of road overseers and defining their duties, and for the working of county convicts upon the public roads of said county, and providing for officers' fees and rewards for the capture of escaped convicts, and to provide for the manner of training hedges along any public road, and to provide for the summoning of teams for any road work, and for an allowance of time of road service for same, and fixing a penalty for a violation of this act, and to repeal all laws in conflict with this act." Passed by two-thirds vote—ayes 92, nays 6.

Also Senate substitute for House concurrent resolution No. 6, a copy of which is hereto attached:

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the following plan be adopted relative to the adoption of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas:

1. Compare Revised Statutes as reported by committee with Revised Statutes of 1879, and all subsequent session acts up to and including the called session of the Twenty-second Legislature. See that all laws in force up to that time are included.

2. Supply all omissions and errors by committee amendments, the committee report only to be printed.

3. Change section 20 of final title to read as follows: "That no laws, general or special, enacted by the Twenty-third Legislature or at the present session of this Legislature shall be in any way affected by the repealing clause of this title; provided, that any law enacted by the Twenty-third Legislature, or by the Twenty-fourth Legislature in conflict with any provision of this act shall be the law of this State, this act to the contrary notwithstanding."

4. Provide by bill or resolution for the appointment of some competent person to edit and publish in one volume all

the laws now in force, including the acts of the present Legislature.

5. That a joint committee, composed of nine members of the Senate and nine members of the House, be appointed to do the work of reading and comparing provided for in the first and second paragraphs hereof. That said committee make a report, one copy to be furnished to Judiciary No. 1 of the House and one copy to Judiciary No. 1 of the Senate. That said committees each report to their respective bodies the Revised Statutes with committee amendments as suggested by the joint committee, and that each house take up and consider the same.

6. That a like committee be appointed, to consist of five members of each house, to take like action on the Criminal Code and Code of Criminal Procedure.

Respectfully,

CHESTER HAILE, Chief Clerk.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Chair laid before the Senate

Senate bill No. 6, being a bill entitled "An act concerning primary elections, called and held by authority of any political party, to prevent illegal voting at same; to prevent bribery and betting at same, and false returns thereof, and providing penalties therefor."

Action being on ordering the previous question and the pending (Simpson's) amendment.

The main question was ordered.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—12.

Atlee.	Lawhon.
Bowser.	McComb.
Crowley.	Presler.
Gage.	Shelburne.
Goss.	Simpson.
Greer.	Tips.

Nays—11.

Agnew.	Sherrill.
Colquitt.	Smith.
Dean.	Steele.
Dibrell.	Whitaker.
Dickson.	Woods.
Lewis.	

Absent—excused.

Boren.	Stafford.
Rogers.	

Absent—not excused.

Bailey.	Harrison.
Beall.	McKinney.
Darwin.	

The bill was ordered engrossed by the following vote:

Yeas—17.

Agnew.	Lewis.
Bowser.	Presler.
Colquitt.	Sherrill.
Dean.	Simpson.
Dibrell.	Smith.
Dickson.	Steele.
Gage.	Woods.
Goss.	Whitaker.
Lawhon.	

Nays—6.

Atlee.	McComb.
Crowley.	Shelburne.
Greer.	Tips.
	Absent—excused.
Boren.	Stafford.
Rogers.	
	Absent, not excused.
Bailey.	Harrison.
Beall.	McKinney.
Darwin.	

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

The Chair laid before the Senate

Senate bill No. 21, being a bill to be entitled "An act to define the territory and to provide for establishing the boundaries of cities and towns in this State, and to validate the incorporation of any city or town heretofore incorporated in this State in certain cases."

Bill read third time and passed.

On motion of Senator Steele, the vote by the bill passed was reconsidered.

The bill was then passed by the following vote:

Yeas—20.

Agnew.	Lewis.
Atlee.	Presler.
Colquitt.	Shelburne.
Crowley.	Sherrill.
Dean.	Simpson.
Dibrell.	Smith.
Dickson.	Steele.
Gage.	Tips.
Goss.	Whitaker.
Lawhon.	Woods.

Nays—4.

Bailey.	Greer.
Bowser.	McComb.
	Absent—excused.
Boren.	Stafford.
Rogers.	
	Absent—not excused.
Beall.	Harrison.
Darwin.	McKinney.

The Chair laid before the Senate

Senate bill No. 40, being a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 2558, chapter 9, title 51, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, relating to renting and leasing property and investing and loaning money of wards."

Bill read third time.

By Senator Agnew:

Amend by adding in caption and enacting clause, between the words "Revised" and "Statutes" the word "Civil."

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Agnew.	Lawhon.
Atlee.	Lewis.
Bailey.	McComb.
Bowser.	Presler.
Colquitt.	Shelburne.
Crowley.	Sherrill.
Dean.	Simpson.
Dibrell.	Smith.
Dickson.	Steele.
Gage.	Tips.
Goss.	Whitaker.
Greer.	Woods.

Nays—none.

Absent—excused.

Boren. Stafford.
Rogers.

Absent—not excused.

Beall. Harrison.
Darwin. McKinney.

By Senator Presler:

Amend line 12, by adding after the word "therefore," "such loans shall be made according to present statutory regulations."

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Agnew.	Greer.
Atlee.	Lawhon.
Bailey.	Lewis.
Bowser.	McComb.
Colquitt.	Presler.
Crowley.	Sherrill.
Dean.	Simpson.
Dibrell.	Steele.
Dickson.	Tips.
Gage.	Whitaker.
Goss.	Woods.

Nays—2.

Shelburne. Smith.

Absent—excused.

Boren. Stafford.
Rogers.

Absent—not excused.

Beall. Harrison.
Darwin. McKinney.

By Senator Colquitt:

Amend by striking out "or city," where it occurs in the bill before the word "bonds."

Senator Simpson made the point of order that the amendment was out of order, for the reason that another amendment, in substance the same, had been voted on and lost.

Sustained.

The bill then passed by the following vote:

Yeas—17.

Atlee.	Lewis
Bailey.	McComb.
Bowser.	Presler.
Crowley.	Shelburne.
Dibrell.	Simpson.
Dickson.	Smith.
Gage.	Tips.
Greer.	Whitaker.
Lawhon.	

Nays—7.

Agnew.	Sherrill.
Colquitt.	Steele.
Dean.	Woods.
Goss.	

Absent, excused.

Boren. Stafford.
Rogers.

Absent, not excused.

Beall. Harrison.
Darwin. McKinney.

The Chair laid before the Senate,

Senate bill No. 44, being a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 1211 of title 29, chapter 5, of the Revised Civil Statutes."

Bill read third time.

By Senator Lewis:

Amend caption by adding thereto, "relating to the appointment of guardians ad litem."

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Agnew.	Lewis.
Atlee.	McComb.
Bailey.	Presler.
Bowser.	Shelburne.
Colquitt.	Sherrill.
Dean.	Simpson.
Dibrell.	Smith.
Gage.	Steele.
Goss.	Tips.
Greer.	Whitaker.
Lawhon.	Woods.

Nays—1.

Dickson.

Absent—excused.

Boren. Stafford.
Rogers.

Absent—not excused.

Beall. Harrison.
Crowley. McKinney.
Darwin.

The bill then passed.

BILLS ON SECOND READING.

The Chair laid before the Senate,

Senate bill No. 11, being a bill to be entitled "An act to regulate assignments for the benefit of creditors, to declare what acts shall operate as such assignments and to prescribe rules for administering the same and to provide penalties for the violation of this act and to repeal an act entitled 'An act in relation to assignments for the benefit of creditors, to regulate the same and proceedings thereunder,' approved March 24, 1879, and to repeal an act entitled 'An act to amend sections 3, 6 and 10 of an act in relation to assignments for the benefit of creditors and to regulate the same and proceedings thereunder,' approved March 24, 1879, approved April 7, 1883; and to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith."

Bill read second time and

On motion of Senator Agnew, the bill was made special order for Wednesday week (February 6) after call and from day to day.

The Chair laid before the Senate,

Senate bill No. 36, being a bill to be entitled "An act to provide for the transfer of vendor's lien notes when such liens are retained in deeds conveying real estate, so as to give the vendor of such real estate the right to convey to the assignee of such notes the authority either to enforce his vendor's lien on the property or to recover it by suit, for cancellation of the original contract of sale as such grantor may now do, and to provide a means whereby the records of deeds in the clerk's office may show when such vendor's or other liens may have been paid."

Bill read second time and ordered engrossed by the following vote:

Yeas—12.

Bailey.	Presler.
Crowley.	Shelburne.
Dickson.	Sherrill.
Goss.	Simpson.
Greer.	Tips.
Lewis.	Whitaker.

Nays—10.

Agnew.	Lawhon.
Atlee.	McComb.
Colquitt.	Smith.
Dean.	Steele.
Gage.	Woods.

Present, not voting.

Dibrell.

Absent—excused.

Boren.

Stafford.

Rogers.

Absent—not excused.

Beall.

Harrison.

Bowser.

McKinney.

Darwin.

Senator Goss moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was ordered engrossed.

Reconsidered.

Senator Goss then moved to make the bill special order for next Thursday.

Senator Shelburne moved as a substitute "Friday," in lieu of "Thursday."

Senator Goss accepted the substitute and the same was adopted.

The Chair laid before the Senate, Senate bill No. 41, being a bill to be entitled "An act to repeal article No. 4249, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, requiring railroads to make an annual report to the Comptroller of Public Accounts."

Bill read second time.

By Senator Simpson:

Amend caption of bill by inserting after the word "Revised," in line two, the word "Civil," and inserting after 1879, in line 3, the words, "requiring railroad corporations to file an annual report with the Comptroller of Public Accounts."

Adopted.

The bill was then ordered engrossed.

The Chair laid before the Senate,

Senate bill No. 42, being a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 683b of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, and to add to said Code article 683c, as enacted by the Legislature of said State by act entitled 'An act to amend article 683, chapter 3, title 17, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, relating to malicious mischief, and providing a penalty therefor, by adding thereto article 683b,' approved March 22, 1889, and amendatory of said recited act, and to define and punish the offense of wilfully and maliciously throwing missiles or firing guns or other firearms at or into moving trains on railroads in this State, and to repeal article 683b of said above recited act, and all other laws in conflict with this act."

Bill read second time.

By Senator Smith:

Amend by striking out article 683c.

By Senator Lewis:

Substitute the amendment as follows: Amend article 683c, by striking out all after the word "punished," in line 23, of page 2.

By Senator Smith:

Amend the substitute by striking out in line 20, the words, "throwing or."

Senator Lewis made the point of order that the substitute for the amendment was not germane.

Sustained.

Senator Lewis' substitute was lost.

By Senator Lewis:

Amend by striking out in lines 25 and 26 of article 683c, the words "strike, wound or injure," and insert "inflict serious bodily injury upon."

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—13.

Agnew.	Gage.
Atlee.	Lewis.
Bailey.	Sherrill.
Bowser.	Simpson.
Colquitt.	Tips.
Crowley.	Woods.
Dickson.	

Nays—10.

Dean.	McComb.
Dibrell.	Presler.
Goss.	Shelburne.
Greer.	Smith.
Lawhon.	Steele.

Absent, excused.

Boren.

Stafford.

Rogers.

Absent—not excused.

Beall.

McKinney.

Darwin.

Whitaker.

Harrison.

Senator Smith's amendment (see above) was adopted by following vote:

Yeas—16.

Agnew.	Dickson.
Atlee.	Goss.
Bailey.	Lawhon.
Bowser.	McComb.
Colquitt.	Presler.
Crowley.	Shelburne.
Dean.	Smith.
Dibrell.	Steele.

Nays—7.

Gage.	Simpson.
Greer.	Tips.
Lewis.	Woods.
Sherrill.	

Absent—excused.

Boren.

Stafford.

Rogers.

Absent—not excused.

Beall.

McKinney.

Darwin.

Whitaker.

Harrison.

Senator Dean entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which the amendment was adopted, and had same spread upon the Journal.

Senator Smith moved to adjourn to 3 p. m.

Lost.

Senator Smith called up Senator Dean's motion to reconsider the vote by which the amendment (see above) was adopted, and moved to lay the motion on the table.

Tabled by the following vote:

Yeas—14.

Agnew.	Goss.
Atlee.	Greer.
Bailey.	Lawhon.
Bowser.	McComb.
Colquitt.	Presler.
Dibrell.	Smith.
Dickson.	Steele.

Nays—9.

Crowley.	Sherrill.
Dean.	Simpson.
Gage.	Tips.
Lewis.	Woods.
Shelburne.	

Absent—excused.

Boren.	Stafford.
Rogers.	

Absent—not excused.

Beall.	McKinney.
Darwin.	Whitaker.
Harrison.	

By Senator Atlee:

Amend by striking out all after "Texas" to and including line 5, and insert the following: "That article 683b of the Penal Code of the State of Texas be amended so as to hereafter read as follows, to wit:"

Adopted.

By Senator Atlee:

Amend by striking out section 2 of the printed bill.

Pending action, the following message was received from the Governor:

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 28, 1895.

To the Senate:

The advice and consent of the Senate is respectfully asked to the following appointments:

Managers of the North Texas Lunatic Asylum: J. S. Griunau, George E. Kelly, A. H. Ables, W. A. Brooks, all of Kaufman county; W. T. Foster of Van Zandt county.

Trustees of the Deaf and Dumb and Blind Asylum for Colored Youths—Hugh L. Davis, E. A. Todd, all of Travis county, vice Henry Hutchings and Sam Harlan, declined.

Managers of the Southwestern Lunatic Asylum at San Antonio—Dr. Amos Graves, A. E. Devine, T. D. Cobbs, L. P. Peck, B. F. McNulty, all of Bexar county.

C. A. CULBERSON,
Governor.

On motion of Senator Smith, Senate adjourned till 10 a. m. tomorrow.

NINETEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, January 29, 1895.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Lieutenant Governor Jester in the chair. Roll called. Quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Agnew.	Lawhon.
Bailey.	Lewis.
Beall.	McComb.
Bowser.	McKinney.
Colquitt.	Presler.
Crowley.	Shelburne.
Dean.	Sherrill.
Dibrell.	Simpson.
Dickson.	Smith.
Gage.	Steele.
Goss.	Tips.
Greer.	Whitaker.
Harrison.	Woods.

Absent—excused.

Boren.	Rogers.
Darwin.	Stafford.

Absent—not excused.

Atlee.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Dr. Smoot.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday,

On motion of Senator Dickson, the same was suspended.

On motion of Senator Agnew, Senator Harrison was excused for non-attendance on yesterday on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Shelburne, Door-keeper Phillips was excused for non-attendance on yesterday on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Tips, Senator Atlee was excused for today and the remainder of the week on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Woods, Senator McKinney was excused for non-attendance on yesterday on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Simpson, Senator Shelburne was excused for tomorrow and Thursday, to enable him to attend the anniversary of the golden wedding of his parents.

On motion of Senator Harrison, Senator Beall was excused for non-attendance on yesterday on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Goss, Journal Clerk O'Quinn was excused for Wednesday and Friday to attend examination of the law class of the State University, of which he is a member.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Senator Agnew:

Petition of citizens of Alvin and vicinity praying for the creation of a new county out of the eastern part of Brazoria county.

Read and referred to Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

By Senator McComb:

A memorial from teachers of public schools of Walker county.

Read and referred to Committee on Education.